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Crews respond to fire on Pierre St., save dog

BY KAREN SARITA INGRAM
THE COLLEGIAN

The Manhattan Fire Department, Riley County Police and EMS responded to a call about a residential fire located at 1318 Pierre Street on Tuesday morning. First responders were dispatched at 9:44 a.m., according to the Little Apple Post.

Firefighters quickly extinguished the fire and safely removed a dog from the house. There were no people in the house at the time.

Sam Dameron, assistant chief of MFD, said investigators were still trying to determine the cause of the fire, which appeared to have originated in the attic of the single story house. The fire took some time to completely put out, as there were several "hot spots" that were smoldering.

"If you're at all familiar with attics, there's a lot of insulation up there," he said.

The amount of damage was unknown as of press time. Nearby houses were not affected by the smoke or fire, according to Dameron.

The house is listed as being owned by Vanessa D. Davis. A person answered a phone number listed to Davis, but said it was a wrong number and hung up.

Pierce seniors create digital double vision



ANGELA RITTER | THE COLLEGIAN

Brianne E. Pierce and **Brianne M. Pierce** are frequently confused by campus services and through email because of their very similar names.

BY CHEYANNA COLBORN
THE COLLEGIAN

One likes the color yellow, the other blue. Sushi is a favorite for one and causes the other to scrunch her nose in disgust. One lived in Goodnow Hall, the other in Putnam Hall.

Both began in engineering, but have now switched majors. They will

both be pursuing education past K-State to work toward careers in the medical field—one as a nurse practitioner, the other as a doctor.

Oh, and they both answer to the name Brianne Pierce. Although they can't find any direct biological ties, Brianne E. Pierce, senior in economics, and Brianne M. Pierce, senior in microbiology, have crossed ties many times since they

started at K-State in 2010. In a digital world where names are an important mean of identification, they are digital doppelgangers.

'Double-goer' The term 'doppelganger' is a German word from the mid-19 century that literally translates to 'double-goer,' according to oxforddictionaries.com. In German folklore, a dop-

pleganger was a paranormal, identical counterpart. Today, people use the term with less fear and even seek out their doppelgangers through Google Image search.

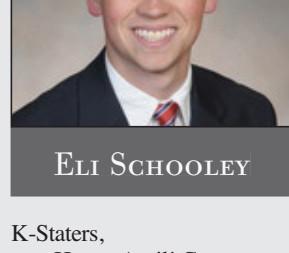
But what happens when one shares the same name with another, and with that, a web presence?

The Brianne Pierce duo found out before they even got to K-State.

Both of their fathers were laid off from their jobs during their senior year of high school after their financial aid had been filed. Both of the girls contacted the Office of Student Financial Assistance for professional judgement appeals because their financial situation had changed. There

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"NAME"

From the President's Desk



ELI SCHOOLEY

K-Staters, Happy April! Crazy to think we have just a few weeks of school left until summer break—keep up the great work!

This week, I'd like to discuss an extremely exciting update that Jake and I have been working on for the better part of the last year: the growth of professional mentorship at K-State. You may remember the "empowering relationships" portion of our platform from last election season; we wanted to replicate the College of Business Administration's Ex-

ecutive Mentorship program in other academic colleges around campus. Students have consistently asked us about our progress on the initiative throughout the year, and we have great news to report.

Last Thursday night, Student Senate approved \$70,000 in funding for a College of Human Ecology professional mentorship program, and \$34,000 for one in the College of Arts and Sciences. Both programs are intended to be up and running in the coming academic year and will enable K-State students to be partnered with real-world professionals to gain expertise and experiences in their desired career paths. These are two important steps forward in our mission to enable all students to have the connections they'll need to succeed in their professional careers, and with the College of Architecture, Planning and Design also working on a program, we feel confident that momentum at K-State has

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Commission hears need for street updates

BY BRIDGET BERAN
THE COLLEGIAN

building," said Hufnagel. "Time is of the essence if we're going to survive."

Additionally, commissioners finalized their approval of the economic development application presented by Tallgrass Brewing Company, 8845 Quail Lane Amendments were made due to restrictions based on the rezoning of the property.

Approval was also given for city administration to submit requests for project funding to the Kansas Department of Transportation for re-contracting intersections. Intersections on the plan include Amherst and Kansas Highway 113, Ehlers Road and U.S. Highway 24, and Retail Drive and U.S. Highway 24.

The meeting also focused on volunteering, honoring National Service Recognition Day on April 1, and discussing upcoming needs for community volunteers.

Commissioners Rich Jankovich and Karen McCulloh volunteered on April 1 with the RSVP of the Flint Hills Volunteer Center's Cookie Brigade. The cookies are baked and

packaged by volunteers before being delivered to soldiers with the U.S.O.

Candice McIntosh, coordinator for Schools of Hope, a RSVP volunteering tutoring program, spoke about the advantages of living in a community so dedicated to volunteering.

"We have 356 volunteers here in our community that gave 36,000 unduplicated hours back to our community," McIntosh said. "Last year, the return on investment for the community was over \$400,000."

Mayor John Matta announced that April 6-12 will be National Volunteer Week.

Nick Jankovich spoke about the K-State cycling team's upcoming Wildcat Grand Prix meet and their need for volunteers.

"It's really easy to volunteer and help us out," Nick Jankovich said. "Or, if you just want to come out and watch, it's a pretty good time."

People interested in the races, volunteering or hosting a team of cyclists can contact the team at ksucycling@gmail.com.

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This Day in History

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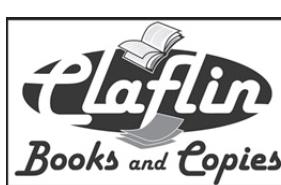
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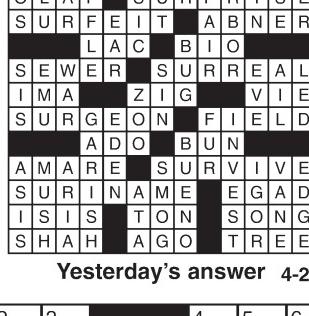
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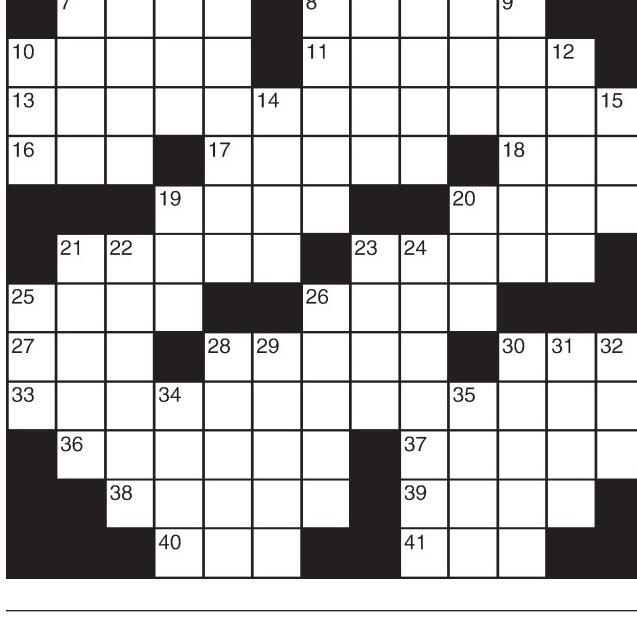
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Horribly Right | By Kathleen Murray



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A downside of the warmer weather is all the bicyclists are back to riding on the sidewalks.

That awkward moment when you converse in Spanish with Ecuadorian students and then say "Adios" to a Chinese student just afterward.

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Helpful tip of the day. Use a blinker when you are turning. Semi trucks don't stop fast and will jump lanes of traffic. #mad

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The Weekly Planner

Wednesday, April 2

Defense of Doctoral Dissertations: Cora Holt
"A Study Exploring the Perceived Experiences of Women Who Dropped out of GED Preparation Programs"
106 Bluemont Hall, 10 a.m.

Landon Lecture Forum: Featuring ESPN President, John Skipper
McCain Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 3

Doctoral dissertations:
Rohit Kamat
137 Waters Hall, 1:30 p.m.

Geoscience webinar
109 Justin Hall, 4-5 p.m.

Film Screening: "Breaking the Maya Code" the Creativity Illuminated Series
Beach Museum of Art, 4-6 p.m.

K-State Computers and Technology Movie Series: Gravity

127 Nichols Hall, 7 p.m.

West Side Story
McCain Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Guest Artist: Jan Kraybill, Organ
All Faiths Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Anton in Show Business
Purple Masque Theatre, East Stadium, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 4

Mapping Indigenous Territorial Stability in Central America

132 Seaton Hall, 3:30 p.m.

Baseball: K-State vs Kansas Sunflower Showdown

Tointon Family Stadium, 6:30 p.m.

Anton in Show Business
Purple Masque Theatre, East Stadium, 7:30 p.m.

"Breaking Bad" Co-Star RJ Mitte: Overcoming Adversity
Forum Hall, K-State Student Union, 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 5

Open House
K-State Campus,
9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Baseball: K-State vs Kansas: Appreciation Day
Tointon Family Stadium, 2 p.m.

UPC Film: Mary Poppins
Forum Hall, K-State Student Union, 7 p.m.
and 9:45 p.m.

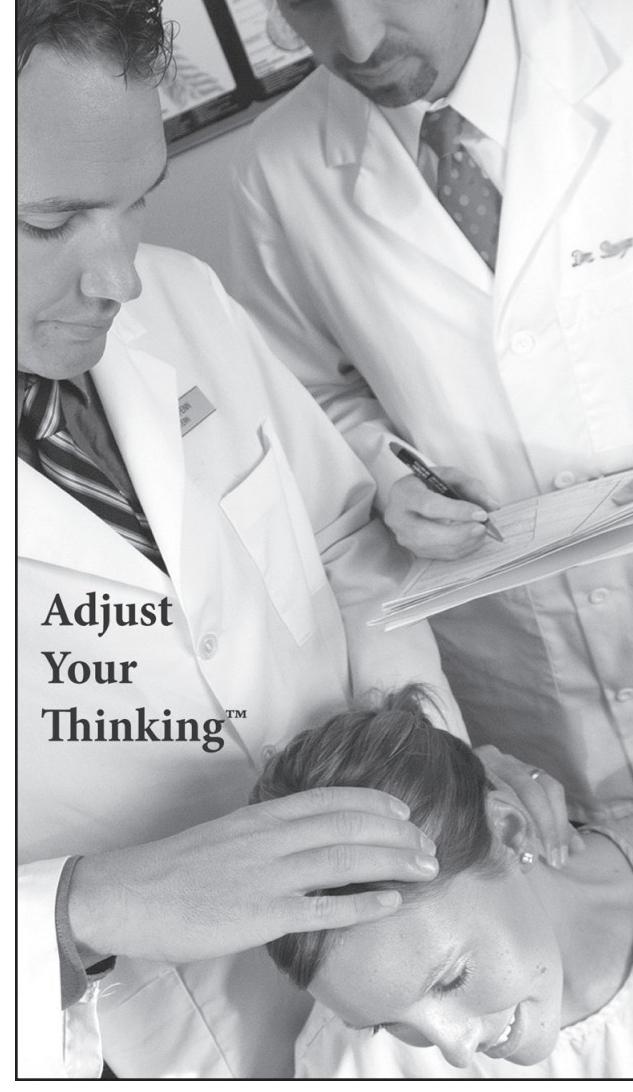
Sunday, April 6

Baseball: K-State vs Kansas: Family Day
Tointon Family Stadium, 1 p.m.

UPC Film: Mary Poppins
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Kite's named one of 'America's best college bars'



HANNAH HUNSINGER | THE COLLEGIAN

Kite's Grille and Bar buzzes with activity on Saturday, March 29. Business Insider named Kite's Grille and Bar as one of the best college bars in the U.S.

BY KELSIE JOHNSON
THE COLLEGIAN

In March, the Business Insider magazine selected 31 college bars in America as the "best and most beloved college bars in the country." Kite's Grille and Bar, 615 N. 12th St. in Aggieland, was the only Kansas bar to make the list.

"It recognizes one of our local bars as having a great product and atmosphere," said Lyle Butler, President and CEO of the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce, said.

Butler said that this recognition will help bring customers to the Aggieland area, as well as possibly inspire business people to move their ventures to Manhattan and the shopping district.

"This benefits Aggieland as a great place to come here and visit," Butler said.

'Beloved and notable'

The list was compiled by two list editors at Business In-

sider. In their review of the bar, they highlighted the fact that actor Will Ferrell has eaten at the bar, as well as the fact that it's a hot spot for K-State fans after sporting events.

"It's awesome," David Kowal, manager at Kite's, said. "We work very hard to make this the best bar in Aggieland and it's great to be noticed across the nation."

The "Will Ferrell Challenge" was created when Ferrell visited in 2008 and ordered Kite's newest burger, which contained three pounds of beef, American cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle and onion. Anyone who can finish the burger and fries gets a free T-shirt.

Kenneth Burger, specialist in the U.S. Army, can attest to the fact that Kite's is a popular bar in Manhattan.

"I met my girlfriend here in November, so it's definitely my favorite bar in Manhattan," Burger said. "We are here for our six month anniversary now actually. You can probably find the two of us here most weekends."



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Former pro football player Wade Davis to speak Thursday

BY JAKKI FORESTER
THE COLLEGIAN

Wade Davis, a former professional football player, will speak to the K-State and Manhattan communities in the Little Theater in the K-State Student Union on Thursday at 7 p.m.

Sponsored by the LGBT Resource Center, the Union Program Council and emPower Cats, the event is free and open to the public.

"[Davis] represents somebody that has had a lot of challenges in his life and is inspirational to those who are marginalized in some way," Brandon Haddock, coordinator of the LGBT Resource Center, said. "People tend to pigeon-hole others in certain categories, but with [Davis], he serves as a good representation

of what diversity looks like."

Davis spent six seasons moving between practice squads on the Tennessee Titans, Seattle Seahawks, Washington Redskins and played for the NFL Europe teams the Berlin Thunder and Barcelona Dragons in the early 2000s. He is now the executive director of the You Can Play Foundation, which works to ensure equality, respect and safety for all athletes, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.

"Davis now works with at-risk youth," Haddock said. "He is open and affirming. He serves as a strong role model for students who don't think they have role models, because they are in athletics or a minority race. He is someone students can connect with."

Davis, an African American man who identifies as gay,

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Ethical decision-making element of clothes shopping

By MADISON KOOPMAN
THE COLLEGIAN

With the weather beginning to warm up, students are beginning to shed their winter layers for cooler clothes. This transition may require going out to shop for clothing that is more fashionable or comfortable than what they currently have.

In an industry where inexpensive labor is the name of the game for a vast number of retailers, many clothing brands turn to sweatshops in developing countries to produce products at a lower cost.

This can present ethical issues for some people.

"I don't have a lot of money and there aren't really cheap clothes from places that are ethically responsible," Shelby Shinkle, sophomore in apparel and textile design, said.

For Shinkle, the ethical issues sweatshop production bring up isn't always enough to change her buying habits.

"Sometimes I think about and do care about that issue, but that doesn't normally stop me from buying them," Shinkle said. "Also, it's hard to know stores' backgrounds because obviously they don't just advertise that they use sweat shops or things like that, so even if you wonder 'maybe this isn't responsibly made,' there isn't really anyway for consumers to know completely."

According to shopwithmeaning.org, an online community for socially responsible companies, sweatshops are often known for mistreating their workers in numerous ways, including denying time off, paying starvation wages and refusing adequate bathroom breaks. Child labor is also a concern.

"I find it disturbing, maybe because I am from a developed society where it is considered wrong," Kelly Kell, junior in textile and apparel design, said. "Although as bad as sweatshops are, they still provide jobs for many people and it has become a way of life."

According to Matt Zwolinski, associate professor of philosophy at the University of San Diego on LearnLiberty.org, sweatshops can provide employment at three to seven times higher wages than other local employment; they also provide employment for many people who might

not have opportunities elsewhere. However, when compared to working conditions in the United States, they are often considered unethical.

Abercrombie & Fitch lawsuit

Perhaps one of the most infamous cases of American clothing companies dealing with ethical issues of sweatshop labor was in 2002 when Abercrombie & Fitch was one of several companies that settled in a class action lawsuit after it was found to be benefiting from cheap labor. Other companies named in the lawsuit included J.C. Penney, Target and The Gap, Inc.

According to a June 2, 2010 article by Kimberley Mok on treehugger.com, workers in the U.S. territory of Saipan were promised a good job making clothing for Abercrombie & Fitch. They were then forced to work 12-hour days, seven days a week, in order to pay off their \$7,000 "recruitment fees." These same workers were forced to sign legally binding contracts that prevented them from doing such things as participating in religious and political activities, getting married, having children and asking for a raise.

"Even our poorest people have it a lot better. We have to remember that we are lucky," Rebecca Craig, co-owner of Rockstar & Rogers, said. "It's not ethical that workers are getting paid one U.S. dollar for eight hours of work."

Rockstar & Rogers, located at 1120B Moro St. in Aggierville, is one of several stores in Manhattan that offer fair trade items that help combat the practice of sweatshop labor. Rockstar & Rogers also sells gently used clothing and costumes.

"It's more expensive for fair trade, meaning it's harder to sell," Craig said. "Many people still try to buy it, though, if the price is low enough. It feels good to support such a weighty cause."

Fair trade products are not always easy for stores to keep in stock due to their unique nature, Craig said.

"It is hard to get a steady flow of the product because of price and the time it takes to make full shipments," Craig said. "But now instead of getting paid about an hour a day, the people who make the products are getting paid per item they produce."

Craig said she tries often to sell fair trade items in the store. They mainly sell fair trade jewelry.



CAITLYN MASSY | THE COLLEGIAN

Courtney Langley, senior in psychology, shops at the clothing warehouse sale in the Union courtyard on Tuesday.

"Clothes are harder to sell due to the prices," she said. "This could be one of the defining factors in why big name companies persist in trying to find cheaper alternatives to their

sources of labor."

Rise of thrift shopping

Shopping at thrift or second hand stores has seen a sudden rise in

the past couple of years, according to Frugal Living Examiner Michelle Butcher on examiner.com. Resale

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'Noah' delivers stark visual appeal, overdramatizes some characters to fault

Noah

★★★★★
Movie review by Connor Kelley

As I've grown older, I've reevaluated the story of Noah and the Ark I heard in Sunday school. It is rather strange to think back on how his tale was taught to me at first.

There was more attention given to doves and rainbows than the annihilation of most of the human race. I'm not sure how much value there is in sugarcoating the story like this. If we turn our heads from the parts that disturb us, we risk missing the point of the tale and weakening its power as a narrative.

After seeing "Noah," I have a feeling director and co-writer Darren Aronofsky shares some of my concerns.

The first few minutes of the film find Noah, played by Russell Crowe, his wife Nameeh, played by Jennifer Connelly, and their children trying to survive on the outskirts of civilization. As the last descendant of Seth, the brother of Cain and Able,

Noah is charged with protecting the earth and his lineage from the corrupting influence of Cain's line.

One night, Noah has a vision of the destruction of the world by water - a flood cleansing the planet so that life may begin anew. This sets Noah and his family towards their ultimate goal. They will build an ark to weather the storm.

"Noah" is a finely crafted film for the most part. Crowe's unique brand of stoicism serves him well here. He radiates strength and determination as Noah, who spends most of his time comforting his family and contemplating the will of the Creator.

However, it is Connolly who gives the best performance as Naameh, a woman desperately trying to make Noah see the good in humanity when all he sees is the capacity for evil. One person you won't be hearing from is God, who remains silent throughout the film. I would presume Morgan Freeman was busy at the time.

Unlike the didactic God of the Old Testament, the God of

"Noah" speaks through signs, miracles and visions instead of words. This is an excellent decision by the filmmakers, as it allows for more showing and less telling. And show it does.

Part biblical epic part blockbuster, "Noah" makes liberal use of its enormous computer-generated imagery budget to create some fantastic visual sequences.

The best of these takes place when Noah tells his family the story of creation, each of the seven days looking more remarkable than the last.

Unfortunately, "Noah" occasionally becomes a little too fantastical for its own good. The inclusion of some mythical creatures in the film, most notably former-angels-turned-giant-rock-monsters called Watchers, placed a nearly unbearable strain on my suspension of disbelief.

These incongruous creatures are also shoehorned into some massive battle sequences that end up feeling forced and mostly unnecessary.

He also isn't afraid to tackle some of the darker themes that are inherent to the story. Often the film's

assessment of humanity seems to just be just shy of despair, with Noah beginning to doubt that God even wants his family to survive the flood.

While I applaud the exploration of Noah's doubts, his leap into misery feels a little too sudden. Once the family boards the ark, the tone of the movie shifts dramatically, and not for the better. That said, the fact that "Noah" even tries to cover these complex themes is enough to warrant forgiveness for most of its faults.

Overall, "Noah" is less a visualization of Genesis and more a director's reimaging of the story as myth. Aronofsky takes some pretty significant artistic liberties with the source material, and the film is mostly better for it.

Star ratings aside, I highly recommend this movie. It's admittedly bizarre, but there's never been a movie quite like it, and I doubt there will be another one like it any time soon.

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BASEBALL

K-State baseball team loses to Omaha in 10th inning



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Junior second baseman **Carter Yagi** picks up a grounder and launches it toward first base for K-State's third out in the top of the fifth inning in the Wildcats' season home opener against Iowa Friday afternoon. After jumping out to a quick 3-0 lead in the first inning, the 'Cats hung on to beat the Hawkeyes 3-2.

By SPENCER LOW
THE COLLEGIAN

After building a 4-1 lead heading into the bottom of the seventh inning, the Wildcat bullpen struggled to hold on to their lead. The University of Nebraska-Omaha was able to tie the game in the bottom of the ninth inning, and then pulled a walk off win in the bottom of the

tenth. K-State fell to 17-11 on the season while the Mavericks rose to 13-9.

Omaha struck first in the third inning thanks to an RBI single from Brett Bass to score Alex Schultz. The Wildcats were able to jump on top in the next few innings thanks in large part to senior catcher Blair DeBord.

DeBord's leadoff single got the fifth inning started. He eventually came around to score thanks to

an RBI groundout by senior center fielder Ross Kivett. Sophomore Clayton Dalrymple scored the second run of the inning after reaching on a fielder's choice that had sent DeBord to third. The Wildcats' left fielder was brought home by senior first baseman Shane Conlon, who had a good night at the plate despite the loss.

DeBord was involved in the next two runs for K-State, doubling home Mitch Meyer after the junior

singled in the previous at bat in the sixth, and singling home sophomore designated hitter Taylor Anderson in the seventh.

K-State's three run lead was short lived, however, as the Mavericks struck for three runs in the bottom of the seventh inning.

With the game tied at 4-4, Dalrymple singled home Anderson in the top of the ninth for the go-ahead run, but once again the lead was a fleeting one for the Wildcats, as

Omaha's Clayton Taylor hit a lead-off home run to tie up the game in the bottom of the frame of sophomore closer Jake Matthys.

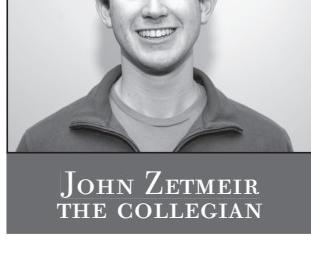
Matthys fared little better in the tenth inning, walking Cole Gruber with two outs and allowing him to score from second after a stolen base on a single from Schultz.

Freshman Colton Kalmus

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NBA

Miami Heat, San Antonio Spurs look primed for NBA Finals rematch



JOHN ZETMEIR
THE COLLEGIAN

If you are an NBA fan, it really doesn't get much better than the show that the Miami Heat and the San Antonio Spurs put on through seven games last season in the NBA Finals.

It was painted like a battle between the team that has done it the right way and a team that simply wins the free agent market. Regardless, that was some exciting basketball being played. Many people, myself included, thought that would be the Spurs' final shot at a title with the unit of Tim Duncan, Tony Parker and Manu Ginobili. We were wrong.

Let's start with the San Antonio Spurs. What have they done lately? Oh, yeah, won 18 straight games. The nucleus of the Spurs has stayed the same, but they continue to add new pieces. Players like Kawhi Leonard and Tiago Splitter have grown to be more than just role players. The Spurs have five guys who average double-digit scoring

totals per game this season. The balance and fluidity of the Spurs is something that few can match. The Spurs have the best record in the NBA and are showing no signs of slowing down.

For much of the season, the Miami Heat have had to play catchup for the top spot in the Eastern Conference. The Indiana Pacers, who lost to the Heat last year in the Eastern Conference Finals, looked poised to take over the No. 1 seed for the playoffs this season. However, they have now lost three straight games and are 4-6 in their last 10, which has given the top spot back to Miami. Ever since LeBron James has come to Miami, the Heat has had one of the best home court advantages in the NBA. If they can lock up the No. 1 spot in the east for the third straight year, then a fourth trip to the Finals in as many years is a very high possibility.

In game six of last year's Finals, the Spurs held a five point lead with less than 30 seconds left on the clock and looked poised to lock up their fifth NBA title. After two big shots by the Heat, the game was extended to overtime, where the Heat eventually came out on top. It is probably the best game that I've ever watched in terms of theatrics. LeBron James went on to lead the Heat to a game seven victory, giving them their second consecutive NBA title. The seasoned Spurs didn't retire or give in after that; in fact,

they seem to be playing as well as ever.

The Spurs appear to have a tougher road through the Western Conference playoffs, having to potentially face teams like the Houston Rockets and the Oklahoma City Thunder, who are both loaded with young talent. Even the Los Angeles Clippers, who under new head coach Doc Rivers have the third best record in the NBA, could pose a threat to San Antonio. At this point, however, I'll take the veteran Spurs to the Finals.

As far as the Heat's road to the finals, Indiana appears to be the only team that poses a serious threat. The Pacers are built to beat the Heat with their size, including big center Roy Hibbert, but as long as James is still wearing a Miami jersey, they should continue to remain the favorite out of the Eastern Conference.

The headlines will almost write themselves if these two teams found a way to meet for a Finals rematch. I know as an NBA fan, I wouldn't complain.

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MLS

Sporting KC rally for weekend win, prepare for tough home matchup



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Sporting Kansas City forward **Sal Zizzo** (RIGHT) is fouled by San Jose defender **Shaun Francis** (LEFT) as they battle for possession of the ball in the second half of Sporting's 1-0 win over the Earthquakes March 22 in Sporting Park. Zizzo had two assists in Sporting's 3-2 defeat of the Colorado Rapids Saturday in Denver.

BY TATE STEINLACE
THE COLLEGIAN

Sporting Kansas City stole a late goal on the road Saturday to top the Colorado Rapids 3-2 in front of almost 1,000 visiting fans who made the near-600 mile trip out west.

Forward Dom Dwyer pro-

vided the late-game heroics for the defending MLS Cup champions, blasting a rocket right above the head of Rapids goalkeeper John Berner in the 92nd minute.

"I don't think that we were firing on all cylinders today, but what I do think is that we stayed and at least tried to keep playing," Sporting KC manager Peter Vermes said after Saturday's

match. "We kept trying to push it to stay in there. At the end, we scored a great third goal, and I thought the guys managed the game thereafter."

Sporting KC had to play from behind after going down 2-1 in the 78th minute after the Rapids scored their second

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NAME | Girls experience mix ups due to shared name, enjoy having connection

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was confusion among the girls and the financial aid staff members because of the similar names, but they were able to work the situation out.

The seniors said they had never met another Brianne, let alone another Brianne Pierce, before coming to college, so finding out that there was an individual with their exact name was a shock.

Brianne E. Pierce was the recording secretary for her sorority, Alpha Xi Delta, and Brianne M. Pierce intercepted many emails from individuals thinking they were contacting Brianne E. Pierce about sorority-related activities.

"I told [the girls in my sorority] every single meeting,

"There are two Brianne Pierces. This is my email. Hers will come up first," Brianne E. Pierce said.

Both girls have apologized to her "name doppleganger" for the email mix ups they both have encountered during their time at K-State.

Sometimes, having a "name doppleganger" came in handy for the duo.

"One day, my roommate was asking about who I knew that was an economics major, because she was needing help deciding which economics course to take and the only one I knew was the other Brianne Pierce," Brianne M. Pierce said.

The senior in economics Brianne said she was more than happy to help.

"That was one of my favor-

ite K-State memories," Brianne E. Pierce said. "That would only happen here. I love tutoring and working with students, and I was able to give her roommate advice and I told her I could tutor her in macroeconomics if she needed it."

Safeguards in place

Although the Brianne's have experienced some confusion due to their shared names, the university has built in ways to help keep student identities straight beyond first and last names.

"Documents [at the K-State Financial Aid office] are identified by Wildcat Identification Numbers, primarily. That certainly keeps things separate students from one another," Larry Moeder, assistant vice president of student financial assistance,

said. "In some cases, social security numbers are on some files and those types of indicators are put on the students forms to keep individuals separate."

Moeder said sometimes if a caller leaves a message and has a common name, this can cause confusion as to which student needs to be contacted.

Other dilemmas for students with popular names can arise when sending emails to the office. Students will email financial aid and ask for assistance, but frequently will not include identifiers, so it can be difficult to track the proper student down, Moeder said.

While providing more information, such as a major or anticipated graduation date, can help employees identify the proper student, Moeder warns

against including too much information in emails.

"I discourage students from providing too much information in an email, because it is not secure," Moeder said.

Moeder said that fortunately, name mix ups do not happen often enough for it to be a problem at the financial aid office.

Not always positive

Brianne E. Pierce and Brianne M. Pierce haven't had any "reputation problems" with their online presence under the same name, but this isn't the case for all "name dopplegangers."

Armando Rodriguez, sophomore in fine arts, shares his name with two professional baseball players, a journalist and a sexual predator in Florida, along with many others found

through a quick Google search.

Being almost indistinguishable from other people online could be problematic for future jobs he applies for, but as an artist, it poses a larger problem. How does Rodriguez stand out in a field with so many individuals, while having a name that is common?

"I will be a professional about it and have professional information and business cards with my personal information," Rodriguez said. "People may one day Google my name and be unable to find my work. I have faced that struggle. I will hear an artist's name and will try to Google their name, and I can't find them. This could be something I struggle with as an art major, and when I get out in the professional world."

DAVIS | Everyone deserves chance to participate

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is expected to speak about sexuality and gender identity within athletics, touching on his own experiences and his work with the foundation.

According to a June 5, 2012 Huffington Post article, Davis said he came out after his time in the NFL was done; having a gay teammate might have made heterosexual teammates feel uncomfortable, he said. Although an injury ended his playing career, he could still leave an impact on the NFL, Davis said.

He said there is an opportunity to help professional athletics teams understand that when athletes don't identify as heterosexual, it doesn't change how well they play or perform and it shouldn't change the team dynamic.

Davis will also speak about his experiences holding different minority roles and how they intersect daily.

"We hope that [this lecture] helps people understand that the LGBT community is a diverse community," Haddock said. "We are everywhere and everyone. We can be professional football players, be women, be men, be transgender, be black, be white, be Native American, be everyone. If he is able to inspire one person, we have done our job."

BASEBALL | Wildcats lose in extra inning after going up three early in game; season to continue this weekend against Kansas

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started the game on the mound, pitching two scoreless innings with a hit, a strikeout, and two walks allowed, before Landon Busch entered for the next two innings. The sophomore al-

lowed a run off three hits with three punch outs and two walks allowed on a planned staff night, in which the team was planning to use more pitchers than usual.

After two perfect innings from freshman Jake Fromson,

freshman Jordan Floyd entered the game, giving up the three seventh inning runs in one-third of an inning pitched. Freshman Ethan Landon tossed 1 2/3 scoreless innings before turning the ball over to Matthys, who gave up the tying and walk-off

runs that led to the loss.

The Wildcats had a decent night at the plate, especially Conlon, who had four hits including a double in the first inning. Meyer and junior shortstop Austin Fisher each had two-hit games for K-State

as the offense had 14 hits in the contest.

The Wildcats return to Manhattan for a series against Kansas this Friday through Sunday, and will continue in-state play with a game against Wichita State next Tuesday.



MLS | Sporting KC creates third roster opening of year

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penalty kick of the match. However, just a minute later, midfielder Benny Feilhaber, who committed the foul that led to penalty, found the back of the net with a scrambled rebound inside the box to equal the scoreline.

The momentum continued to the 85th minute when Colorado defender Marvell Wynne was sent off after receiving his second yellow card on the day. The 10-manned Rapids side tried desperately to salvage the draw, but Sporting KC and Dwyer would have the last laugh in a thrilling five-goal second half.

With Saturday's victory, Sporting KC improves to 2-1-1 on the year. Their attention now turns to Real Salt Lake in a rematch of last year's MLS Cup final. Real Salt Lake, 2-0-2, are coming off an impressive 3-0 shutout against the big offseason spenders of

Toronto FC and will be eyeing revenge after seeing the league trophy slip from their fingertips in a shootout at Sporting Park last December.

Sporting KC has made headlines recently with a number of players coming and going. Monday, the club announced that they have waived defender Mechack Jerome to create a third roster opening. The news comes a week after the club waived fellow defender Josh Gardner.

Tuesday, Vermes confirmed that Brazilian defender Igor Julião and Spanish midfielder Victor Muñoz are training with the team. Hours later, Sporting KC confirmed the signing of Muñoz, who had previously spent eight years in the Real Madrid Academy before coming to college in the United States.

Sporting KC and Real Salt Lake are set to kickoff from Sporting Park at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

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Sporting Kansas City forward Dom Dwyer (RIGHT) aggressively advances past San Jose midfielder J.J. Koval, attempting to steal the ball in the second half of Sporting's 1-0 win over the Earthquakes March 22 in Sporting Park. Dwyer scored a goal in each of Sporting's past two games.

CLOTHES | 'Trash to treasure' another way to shop

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clothing stores such as Arc, Goodwill and the Salvation Army are being viewed as rivals for larger retailers like Walmart, Kmart and Ross, Butcher said.

The Salvation Army Thrift Store, 310 Poyntz Ave., recently

celebrated their grand reopening on Feb. 22; the previous location had been closed due to a fire. Other local thrift or resale stores include Grand Ol' Trunk Thrift Shop & Bookstore, 1304 Pillsbury Drive, and T-La-Re, 2047 Fort Riley Blvd.

Although many thrift or

secondhand stores carry clothing made in sweatshops, they do encourage recycling and reusing, which is good, Craig said.

"We're taking trash and turning it into treasure, which not only gives people clothing and accessories, but also helps the community," Craig said.

"All that money comes back."

When shopping ethically, shop where your money can make a difference- either in fair trade practices or closer to home, Craig said.

"Shop locally. It will not only help consumers out, but also the community," Craig said.

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Wills not typically necessary for students, helpful to think about for future



Having a will, durable power of attorney, or living will can help with end-of-life and after-death decisions. It is never too early to start thinking about creating a will, experts say.

BY JACOB VALDEZ
THE COLLEGIAN

However, due to tax laws, nearly half of the \$35 million estate may be lost.

A will is a legal document that dictates one's wishes regarding the distribution of their assets and belongings upon their death. Although most students probably aren't thinking this far ahead, it can be important to start considering the various elements important to deciding whether or when to prepare a will.

"In Kansas, if you die with no spouse or descendants, your parents inherit everything," said Jodi Kaus, director of Powercat Financial Counseling, in an email. "If you have

a spouse and descendants, your spouse inherits half of your intestate property and the descendants inherit half of your intestate property. That is fine, if this is what you desire, but if it is not, then you need a will and your will has to go through the probate process at death to be deemed valid."

Kaus also suggested that once a will is obtained, it should be reviewed periodically, especially in the case of some major life event, such as a marriage, birth or major financial event.

"Not only is a will important, but there's also something called a durable power of attorney for healthcare decisions and

a living will. And those three documents go hand-in-hand," said Sarah Barr, attorney for Student Legal Services. "So, when I have someone come in for a will, I encourage them to do all three documents."

A durable power of attorney for healthcare decisions gives another individual the authority to make healthcare decisions for you in the event that you become incapacitated. A living will sets out your wishes for medical treatment if you are considered to be in a terminal condition. These two documents, as well as wills, can sometimes be used to stipulate funeral wishes as well.

End-of-life decisions shouldn't necessarily be included in a will, Barr said.

"I discourage people from doing that in a will simply because very often the will is not found or even read until after the funeral," Barr said.

Using the power of attorney or a living will can ensure certain wishes are met before an individual dies.

"With those documents, you can say 'I want my organs donated,' for example," Barr said. "Or, 'I want this or that to happen at my funeral,' because those are documents that people are going to know about while you're still alive. Your will, not

so much."

The rules and requirements for these three documents vary between states, Barr said, so it is important to be informed when considering making a will or similar document. This helps to make sure that the process is completed legitimate and the document is indeed legal.

Ultimately, whether an individual should or shouldn't get a will is dictated by their current life situation.

"It wouldn't hurt for everyone to consider their situation and make a conscious decision as to what fits their needs best, rather than leaving it to chance and Kansas law," Kaus said.

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